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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS MILI VS

SUBJECT: ATTACK ON NHA TRANG AIRBASE

FOLLOWING SENT IMMEDIATE ACTION SAIGON FROM NHA TRANG JULY
15, 1975. REPEATED FOR YOU.

QUOTE:

NHA TRANG 0419

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SUBJECT: ATTACK ON NHA TRANG AIRBASE

1. AN AMMUNITION AND MOGAS DUMP AT NHA TRANG AIRBASE RECEIVED FOUR
107MM ROCKET ROUNDS AND A SAPPER ATTACK AT 0330 ON JULY 15. ACCORD-
ING TO INFORMATION FROM THE KHANH HOA SECTOR TOC, THE ATTACKS
RESULTED IN THE DESTRUCTION OF 200,000 LITERS OF MOGAS AND DIESEL,
2000 ROUNDS OF 105MM AMMO, 1500 ROUNDS OF 81MM AND 500 ROUNDS OF
60MM MORTAR PLUS SOME SMALL ARMS AMMO. THE AIRBASE CONTROL TOWER
WAS ALSO HIT.

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2. REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE COMMUNIST ROCKETS WERE FIRED FROM THE

DIRECTION OF DONG BO (CP 981447) ABOUT 12 KM SOUTHEAST OF NHA TRANG CITY. AT PRESENT IT IS UNCLEAR WHETHER THE ROCKETS OR THE SAPPERS CAUSED THE DAMAGE. THE SAPPERS INFILTRATED THE DEFENSES OF THE AMMO AND MOGAS DUMP UNDER COVER OF THE ROCKET ATTACK AND UNDOUBTEDLY WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR SOME OF THE DAMAGE.

3. AS YET NO CASUALTIES--EITHER FRIENDLY OR ENEMY--HAVE BEEN REPORTED AND ALL AMERICANS ARE SAFE. SIGNED SPEAR. UNQUOTE.
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